A PACKAGE OF POST CARDS AND A "WIRELESS"

A Bride's Story

1907

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COLLECTION *of* CANADIANA

Queen's University at Kingston

CAN. PAC. ROYAL MAIL S.S. LINES.

Place Viger Hotel
Montreal.
June 10 - 07.

Dearest Mother

We are just leaving by the C. P. R. train for Quebec! Montreal is charming in the early summer. Jack is a dear tho' he roars over the lice which still shower from my blongings. Love to all

Kate.

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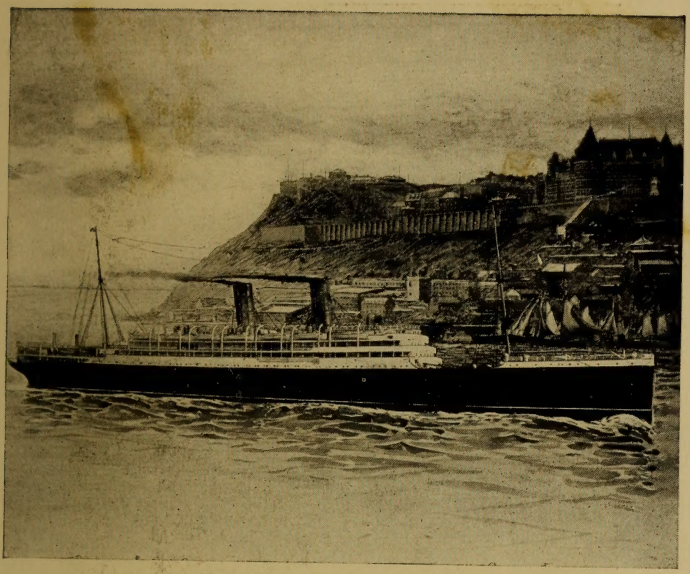
Chateau Frontenac
Quebec
June 13 - 07

Three days of romance (old & new!) in this delightful spot. From my window in this hotel, I can catch a glimpse of the "Empress of Ireland," lying in the harbor below. We go on board tomorrow. Lovingly dear Mother,

Kate.



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S.S. Empress of Ireland
June 14 - 07

We're off! I scribble this sitting on deck as we glide down the river. The chateau and the ramparts fade into the blue. I wonder if foreign shores will show anything more picturesque than "old Quebec"?

Lovingly
Nell

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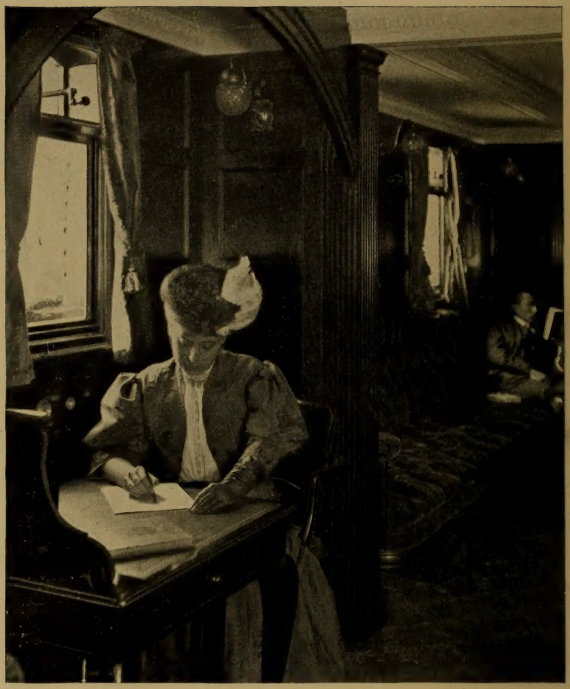

S. S. Empress of Ireland
Near Rimouski.
June 14. 07

A last line dear Brother, for the pilot to take ashore. I shall send you some "Empress" post cards as well as a letter, from Liverpool. The St. Lawrence river is wonderful. We have another whole day, before we leave its sheltered waters, and face the open sea. And love to all

Kate.

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TO Mrs. Eshleman, St Louis, Mo.

Sea	like	our	married	life
without	a	ripple	ship	and
service	like	crossing	splendid	
			Jack	

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S.S. Empress Poland
June 17–07.

Jack played cricket on deck this a.m. and made 110 runs, before the bugle brought him down to lunch, when he ate straight through the menu. He says this route has all the others "skinned to death", whatever that means.

Kate.

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S.S. Empress of Ireland
June 18 - 07.

Have just had a "Sun-bath" on the upper deck. Many of the passengers are charming, and everybody seems so gay. Apparently old "mal-de-mer" does not patronize this boat! I think everyone knows we are "the bride". Jack can't help a "prideful" air.

Kate.

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Liverpool
June 21, 07

Jmt leaving for London, by the "Empress Special." We had no trouble in landing, everything done for us. We did hate saying good-bye to the dear old "Ireland." Hope you are enjoying this chain of "picture posts." Yours lovingly
Kate.

London
June 22 - 07.

Here we are in "London Town."
Weather, and everything else, delightful.
Have quite lost my heart to the
Soldiers. Jack says they beat
anything he ever got for Xmas.
Poor dear! He's jealous.
Kate

London
June 24 - 07

Yesterday we drove in the Park. It was a glorious day, and there were crowds & people. Such stunning clothes. The men's "frocks" & hats, are almost as wonderful as the women's. Thanks awfully! I've got a few pennies to spend in Bond St. Wish you were here to help me.

With love dear Mother, Hale.

Lake of Killarney
Ireland
June 29 07

We are thoroughly enjoying the "Emerald Isle". Such hills and lakes and brogues and buttermilk! I could spend weeks touring the country. But I wish we had our own machine. I think the national conveyance should be called a "Jolting Car." You must come next year dear mother

Kate.

Amsterdam

July 3 - 07.

My last card was from Ireland. This country is it own way is as picturesque. So glad I have my camera I get "snap shot bits" at every turn. Jacks comment on Amsterdam is that it "a wet town". Men seem to have a language of their own. Of course I've bought some old Delft.

Yours Kate.

Paris
July 6 07

Have no words for this enchanting city: This must do as a letter till I have time to catch my breatte. Such sights! Such contrasts! This morning we revelled in visions of the historic past, passing through the St. Denis gate. In the afternoon we drove in the Champs Elysee & took in the fashions of the future.

Kate.

Paris
July 9. 07.

wrote yesterday. Hope my letter was coherent, but I'm literally intoxicated with the miles, plo miles of pictures statuary, carving, gold, silver, and jewels, which have displayed themselves to my astonished eyes We cross to England tomorrow!

Lovingly Kate.

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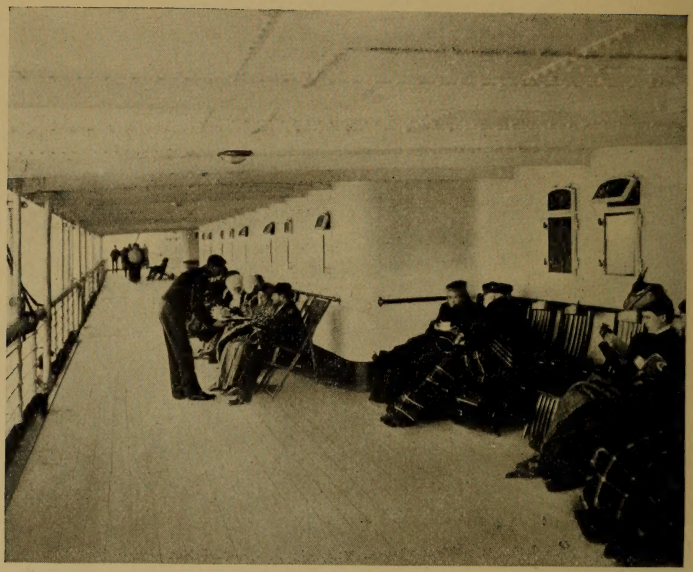
London
July 10. 07

Back again for a few final hours of sight seeing. Then we pack our bottles for the last time and take the C. P. R. Empress special for Liverpool. I shall send the last link in the "picture post chain" from there. I dare say we shall meet for breakfast, for the ~~England~~ Britain take the mails late



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S.S. Empress of Britain
July 12. 07

Here we are, safe on board, our faces turned towards home. Everything seems so cheery and comfortable as on the "Empress of ~~Britain~~ Ireland. Already we feel at home. A nice breeze is climbing up the sky & I know it will be a "honey" one too. Until we meet dear Mother Your loving Kate

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